What Can I Do With This **Ohio State** Major?

**Bachelor of Arts**  
**African American and African Studies**  
**College of Arts and Science**

The Department of African American and African Studies (AAAS) provides an intellectual home for the exploration, critical examination, analysis, and interpretation of the experiences, traditions, and dynamics of people of African descent in the United States and Africa and its diaspora. The department offers a broad selection of courses addressing historical, cultural, sociological, political, and psychological factors that affect the lives of African peoples from disciplinary, interdisciplinary, multi-disciplinary, trans-disciplinary, and comparative perspectives.¹

**Career Areas/Job Titles:**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Management and Industry</th>
<th>Education</th>
<th>Government/Politics</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Cultural Resources Manager</td>
<td>High School Teacher</td>
<td>Foreign Service Specialist</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Civil Services Worker</td>
<td>Administrator</td>
<td>Political Analyst</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Social Worker</td>
<td>Professor</td>
<td>Public Administration</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Human Resources</td>
<td>Student Affairs</td>
<td>State and Local Government</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Communication and Media</strong></td>
<td>University Administration</td>
<td>Civil Service Work</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Journalist</td>
<td><strong>Non-Profit/Advocacy</strong></td>
<td>Community Urban Planning</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Media Relations Specialist</td>
<td>Peace Corps Staffer</td>
<td>Public Affairs and Policy</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Linguist/Interpreter</td>
<td>Program Administrator</td>
<td>HIV/AIDS Activist</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

*Some careers may require licensure, certification, or further education. Talk to an advisor about specific requirements.*

**Transferable Skills:**

- Expressing Ideas
- Listening Skills
- Persuasion
- Public Speaking
- Technical Writing
- Written Communication
- Cultural Understanding
- Gathering Information
- Identifying Problems
- Research Skills
- Planning
- Strategic Planning/Visioning

*This is not an extensive list of transferable skills. See larger list of skills you might develop here: [http://ccss.osu.edu](http://ccss.osu.edu)*

**Professional Links:**

- National Consortium for Study in Africa: [http://africa.isp.msu.edu/osafrica.htm](http://africa.isp.msu.edu/osafrica.htm)
- Association for the Study of African American Life and History: [http://www.naaas.org/aboutus.html](http://www.naaas.org/aboutus.html)